

I Claim:

1. A spacer for a fuel assembly of a boiling water reactor, comprising:

a frame formed with outer webs and inner webs oriented crossways with respect to one another;

gills formed on an outer side of said outer webs and projecting to a given extent from said outer side; and

a plurality of projections each formed by a bulge in a wall of said outer webs and projecting outwardly to a greater extent than said given extent of said gills.

2. The spacer according to claim 1, wherein said projections are formed below said gills.

3. The spacer according to claim 2, wherein said projections are disposed in a region of a respective said inner web, and a deflector lug is formed integrally on a lower edge of said projections.

4. The spacer according to claim 3, wherein said inner web has a lateral edge and a first supporting section integrally formed on and laterally projecting beyond said lateral edge,

wherein said first supporting section extends into and is connected to said projection.

5. The spacer according to claim 4, wherein said inner web has a lower edge and a second supporting section integrally formed on said lower edge, said second supporting section having an inclined edge and a deflector lug supported against said inclined edge.

6. The spacer according to claim 4, wherein said projection has an outer side formed with a recess, said recess extends in an axial direction and having formed therein a slot with said first supporting section at least partially penetrating through said slot.